

ORDINANCE _____

AN ORDINANCE amending the Seattle Comprehensive Plan to incorporate changes proposed as part of the 2009 Comprehensive Plan annual amendment process.

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted procedures in Resolution 30261, as amended by Resolution 30976, for amending the Comprehensive Plan, consistent with the requirements for amendment prescribed by the Growth Management Act, RCW 36.70A; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Council Resolution 30976, a number of proposals for Plan amendments were submitted for Council consideration, both from within City government and from the public; and

WHEREAS, on July 20, 2009, the City Council considered these proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments and adopted Council Resolution 31146, directing that City staff further review and analyze certain proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, these proposed amendments have been reviewed and analyzed by the Department of Planning and Development and considered by the Council; and

WHEREAS, the City has provided for public participation in the development and review of these proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed and considered the Executive's report and recommendations, public testimony made at the public hearing, and other pertinent material regarding the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that the amendments to be adopted are consistent with the Growth Management Act, and will protect and promote the health, safety, and welfare of the general public; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Seattle Comprehensive Plan, as last amended by Ordinance 122832, is amended as follows:

A. Amend Neighborhood Planning Rainier Beach Policy 4 as follows:

Seek to preserve all single family zoned areas' character. Encourage residential small lot opportunities within single-family areas within the designated residential urban village, and in the areas within the residential urban village west of Martin Luther King

1 Boulevard S. and south of S. Henderson St. west of the Chief Sealth trail, permit
2 consideration of rezones of single-family zoned land to the Lowrise Duplex Triplex
3 (LDT), Lowrise 1 (L1), or Lowrise 2 (L2) designations.

4 B. Amend the Future Land Use Map to adjust the urban village boundary and
5 designate the land shown in Attachment A as a Multi-Family Residential Area.

6 C. Amend Neighborhood Planning Roosevelt Land Use Policy 1 as follows:
7 Support a zoning strategy that consolidates similar zoning into whole blocks in and near
8 the urban core and light rail station, to result in more compatible development. Consider
9 rezoning from single-family to multifamily or mixed-use zoning to support the
10 intensification of activity in the urban village, particularly in the following area bounded
11 by 8th Ave. NE, NE 69th St., Roosevelt Way NE, NE 68th St., 12th Ave. NE, and
12 NE 62nd St., within the area south of NE 65th St. between 12th Ave. NE and
13 15th Ave NE.

14 D. Amend the Future Land Use Map to designate the land shown in Attachment B as
15 a Multi-Family Residential Area or Commercial Mixed Use Area as shown.

16 E. Amend the Future Land Use Map to designate the land shown in Attachment C as
17 Downtown Area.

18 F. Add a new Neighborhood Planning Northgate Policy 8.5 as follows:
19 Support future potential rezones to higher intensity designations in the North Core
20 Subarea. In considering such rezones, pay particular attention to the development of an
21 environment that creates a network of pedestrian connections and that encourages
22 pedestrian activity, among other considerations associated with a rezone review.

23 G. Add a new Sand Point Amendment policy LU6.5 as follows:
24 Allow residential uses in Building 9 and permit limited commercial uses in portions of
25 this existing building that are not suitable for residential use, as a way to use the space
26 efficiently and to generate revenue that can reduce the cost of the housing provided.

27 H. Amend Housing Policy 9 as follows:
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Promote housing preservation, development and affordability in coordination with the Seattle Transit Plan, particularly ~~((transit plans and))~~ in proximity to light rail stations and other transit hubs. Coordinate housing, land use, human services, urban design, infrastructure and environmental strategies to support pedestrian-friendly communities that are well-served by public transit ~~((at light rail station areas and other transit hubs))~~.

I. Add a new Housing Policy 9.5 as follows:

When using federal, state, local, and private resources to preserve, rehabilitate or redevelop properties for affordable housing, consider access to transit service and estimated household transportation costs.

J. Amend Housing Policy 18 as follows:

Promote methods of more efficiently using or adapting the city's housing stock to enable changing households to remain in the same home or neighborhood for many years.

Strategies may include sharing homes, attached and detached accessory units in single-family zones, housing designs that are easily augmented to accommodate children ("grow houses"), or other methods considered through neighborhood planning.

K. Amend Housing Policy 20 as follows:

Promote and foster, where appropriate, innovative and non-traditional housing types such as co-housing, live/work housing and attached and detached accessory dwelling units, as alternative means of accommodating residential growth and providing affordable housing options.

L. Amend the discussion at C. Location-Specific Land Use Policies in the Land Use Element as follows:

The basic zoning categories described in Section B, are augmented here by policies that respond to specific characteristics of an area. For example, historic districts are governed by a basic zoning category as well as regulations that respond to the unique historic characteristics of an area. This section provides the policy foundation to guide how the City adjusts its regulations to respond to unique environments, particularly those created

1 by: major institutions, historic districts and landmarks, arts and cultural districts,
2 environmentally critical areas and shorelines.

3 M. Amend Land Use Goal 31 as follows:

4 Provide flexibility in, or supplement, standard zone provisions to achieve special public
5 purposes where circumstances warrant. Such areas include shoreline areas, airport height
6 districts, historic landmark and special review districts, major institutions, arts and
7 cultural districts, subarea plan districts, areas around high capacity transit stations, and
8 other appropriate locations.

9 N. Add a new section to the Land Use Element, C-5 Cultural Overlay Districts.

10 O. Add a new Land Use Policy 271 as follows:

11 Encourage the creation of cultural districts to support arts and cultural uses and the
12 economic benefits they provide. Use the creation of cultural districts as a tool to carry out
13 neighborhood plan recommendations and other city plans that promote arts and cultural
14 uses.

15 P. Add a new Land Use Policy 272 as follows:

16 Allow regulations and incentives to be adopted specifically for designated cultural
17 districts. Allow adopted guidelines or regulations to modify, exempt, or supersede the
18 standards of the underlying zone to encourage arts and cultural uses.

19 Q. Add a new Greenwood/Phinney Ridge Neighborhood Planning Policy 4.5 as follows:

20 Encourage multifamily residential development west of 3rd Ave. NW and north of
21 NW 87th St. within the Greenwood Urban Village boundary to serve as a transition
22 between the intended commercial development north and west of NW 85th St. and
23 Greenwood Ave N. and the single-family areas beyond.

24 R. Amend the Future Land Use Map to designate the Greenwood-Phinney Ridge land
25 shown in Attachment E as a Multi-Family Residential Area as shown.

26 S. Amend the Future Land Use Map to designate the Ballard Hub Urban Village land
27 shown in Attachment F as a Commercial Mixed Use Area as shown.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten (10) days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the ____ day of _____, 2010, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this ____ day of _____, 2010.

President _____ of the City Council

Approved by me this ____ day of _____, 2010.

_____, Mayor

Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2010.

City Clerk

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Attachment A: Amended Future Land Use Map – Rainier Beach

Attachment B: Amended Future Land Use Map – Roosevelt

Attachment C: Amended Future Land Use Map – South Downtown

Attachment D: Amended Future Land Use Map – Northgate

Attachment E: Amended Future Land Use Map – Greenwood-Phinney Ridge

Attachment F: Amended Future Land Use Map – Ballard